



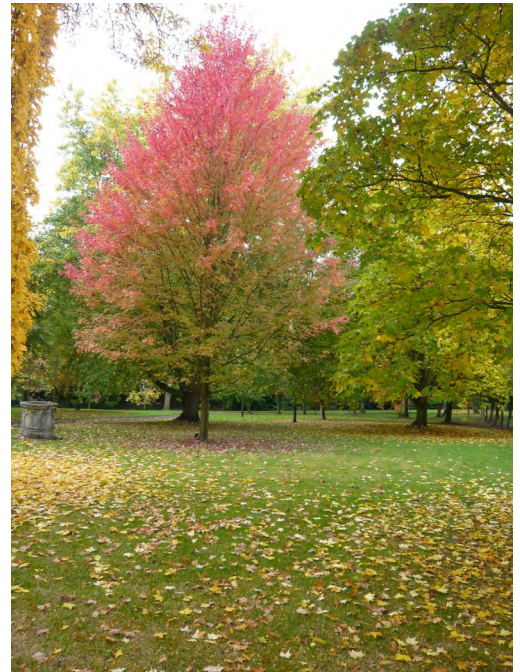
WEST LODGE PARK
YOUR COUNTRY RETREAT



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The **Callicarpa bodinieri (beautyberry)** is a shrub, with simple, opposite leaves and tiny clusters of flowers, followed by colourful small purple berries at this time of the year, hence its name.

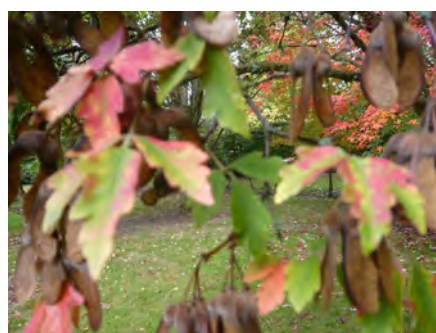


Acer Rubrum 'Autumn Blaze' is the very first tree I planted in the Beale Arboretum, when I joined the company 15 years ago. It was a small 4ft specimen and now stands over 20' high in a blaze of colour at this time of the year.



This is the first year that these young Japanese maples, planted in 2012, are showing their spectacular luminous colours - **Palmatum 'Osakazuki'**, **Tamukeyama** and **Dissectum Viridis**. They are a dwarf variety, preferring dappled shade and will only grow to around 3 meters high.

The leaves on the **Acer griseum** show their beautiful shades at this time of the year. It also boasts an interesting tactile cinnamon peeling bark.





Malus x purpurea Neville Copeman (crab apple) has three seasons of beauty with blossom in spring, flowers in summer and one of the best fruit berries, around 5cm diameter, in the autumn.



Liquidambar styraciflua 'Worplesdon' commonly known as American sweetgum, is a popular ornamental tree. Although a typically green leaved throughout the summer, in the autumn it becomes a glorious confusion of spectacular vibrant colours.

Finally, with the continuous mild weather we have taken the opportunity to germinate grass seed and repair a cleared area under the Tilia collection.

Paul Baynes ~ Head Gardener

If you are interested in **planting a commemorative tree** in the grounds this autumn, perhaps to celebrate the life of a loved one, or for a special occasion, please contact Grant Cook, Estates Manager on grantcook@bealeshotels.co.uk or 07973 538254

If you are interested in putting together a group for a **guided tour** of the Beale Arboretum, please contact Jane Gray - headoffice@bealeshotels.co.uk or 0208 216 3904 - Tours are free of charge midweek and £3.50 per person at the weekend.

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